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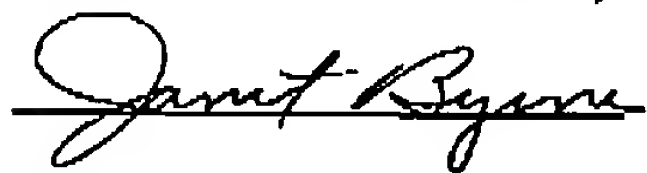
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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 18, 2005. No amendments are included here in the listing of claims.

The claims as pending are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.